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SUBJ: ALEXANDR SOLZHENITSYN

1. LOCAL SOURCES REPORT THAT SOVIET WRITER ALEXANDR SOLZHENITSYN FINALLY SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING DIVORCE MARCH 16. FROM HIS FIRST WIFE. AUTHORITIES HAS ALLEGEDLY BEEN ENCOURAGING WIFE TO BLOCK DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS. ACCORDING TO SOURCES, DIVORCE FINALLY OBTAINED AFTER SOLZHENITSYN MADE SIZEABLE FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT WITH FORMER WIFE.

2. DIVORCE PAVES THE WAY FOR SOLZHENITSYN TO REGISTER MARRIAGE WITH COMMON- LAW WIFE BY WHOM HE HAS HAD TWO CHILDREN. SINCE SHE LEGAL RESIDENT OF MOSCOW, SOLZHENITSYN WILL BE ABLE TO APPLY FOR MOSCOW RESIDENTIAL PERMIT AFTER MARRIAGE.

3. COMMENT: DISSIDENT SOURCES MAINTAIN THAT AUTHORITIES HAD BEEN ACTIVE IN BLOCKING DIVORCE WITH COOPERATION OF FORMER WIFE SINCE THEY WISHED DENY SOLZHENITSYN RIGHT TO RESIDE LEGALLY IN MOSCOW. ALTHOUGH EXACT REASONS FOR APPARENT ABOUT- FACE UNCLEAR, IT MAY BE THAT SOVIETS SIMPLY DESIRE AVOID ANY ADDITIONAL INTERNATIONAL PUBLICITY OVER SOLZHENITSYN AND WILLING TO PAY SMALL PRICE OF HAVING HIM
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